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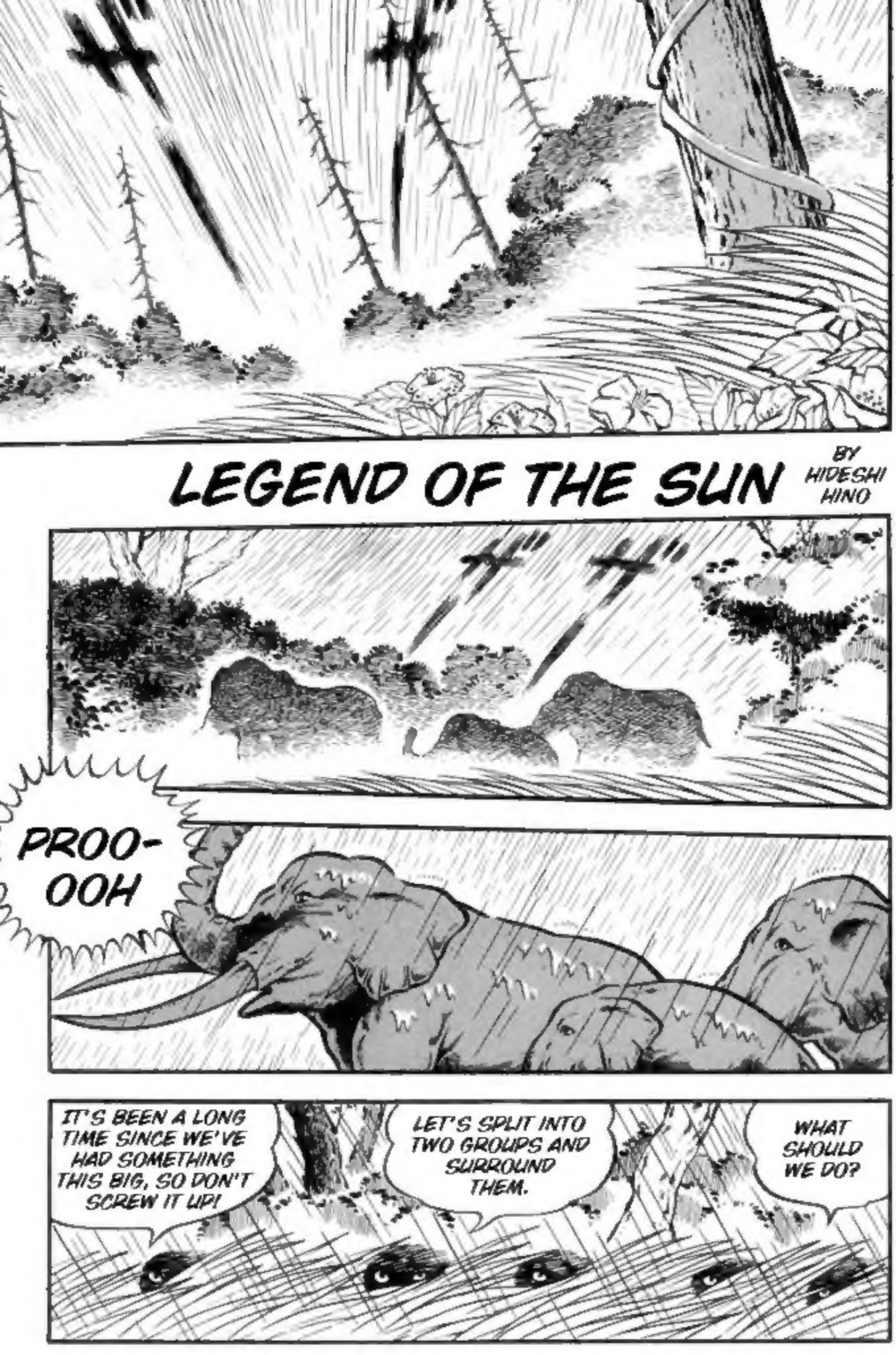
LEGEND OF THE SUN

BY HIDESHI HINO


PROO-
OOH
IT'S BEEN A LONG TIME SINCE WE'VE HAD SOMETHING THIS BIG, SO DON'T SCREW IT UP!
LET'S SPLIT INTO TWO GROUPS AND SURROUND THEM.
WHAT SHOULD WE DO?

LET'S GO!

PROO-OOH

PROO-
OOH

NOW!

PRO-
OOH!

THAT'S IT!
THEY DIDN'T
SEE THAT
COMING!

YAAH
!!

WE DID IT! WE DID IT!

YAAY !!

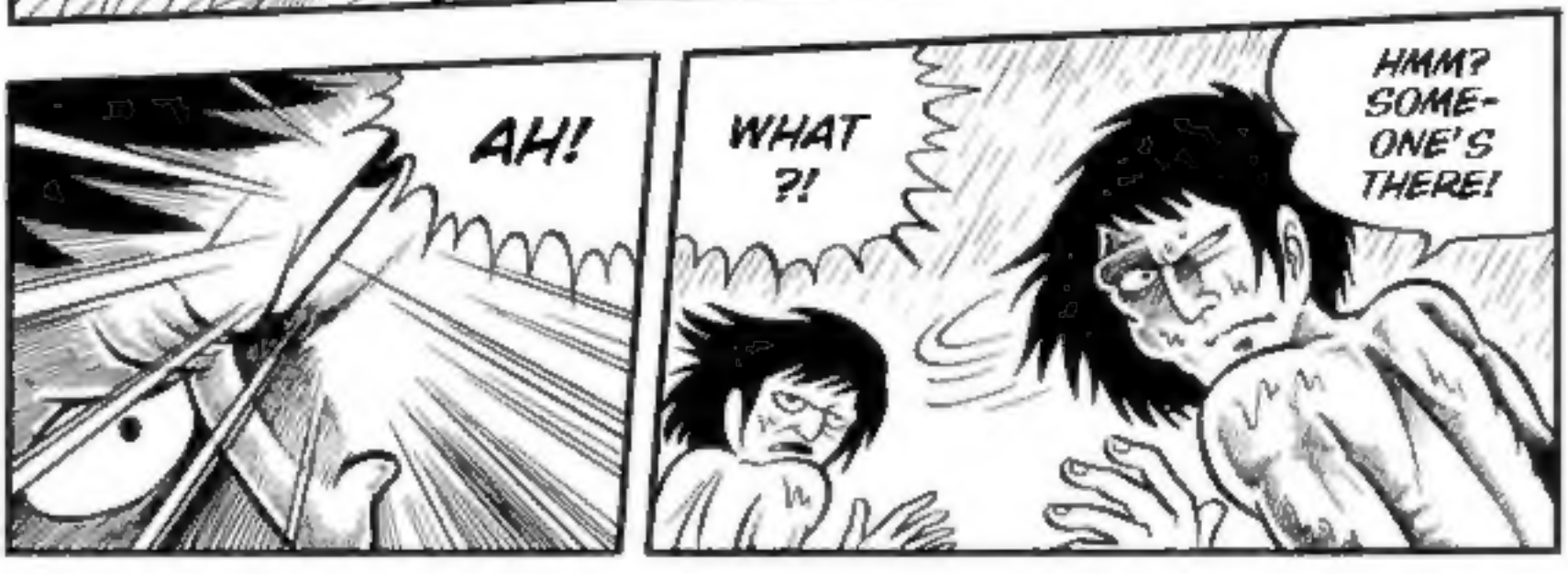
HIHIHI... BUT THE SAME CAN'T BE SAID ABOUT THAT THING!

UMM-HMM! INDEED.
HOW ABOUT THAT? THAT HEADSHOT WAS IMPRES-SIVE!

WAHA-HAHA !!
WHA-

HIHIHI! THIS IS AMAZING!
HAHAHA HAHAHA ...
WHEN DID THIS HAPPEN !?

SOMETHING SO UNUSUAL HAPPENING TODAY... SURELY THIS IS A SIGN OF GOOD THINGS TO COME!
I'M SURE THE WHOLE TRIBE WILL BE THRILLED.
IT'S BEEN A WHILE, HASN'T IT?


AH!
WHAT ?!
HMM? SOME-ONE'S THERE!

WAA-
AAH
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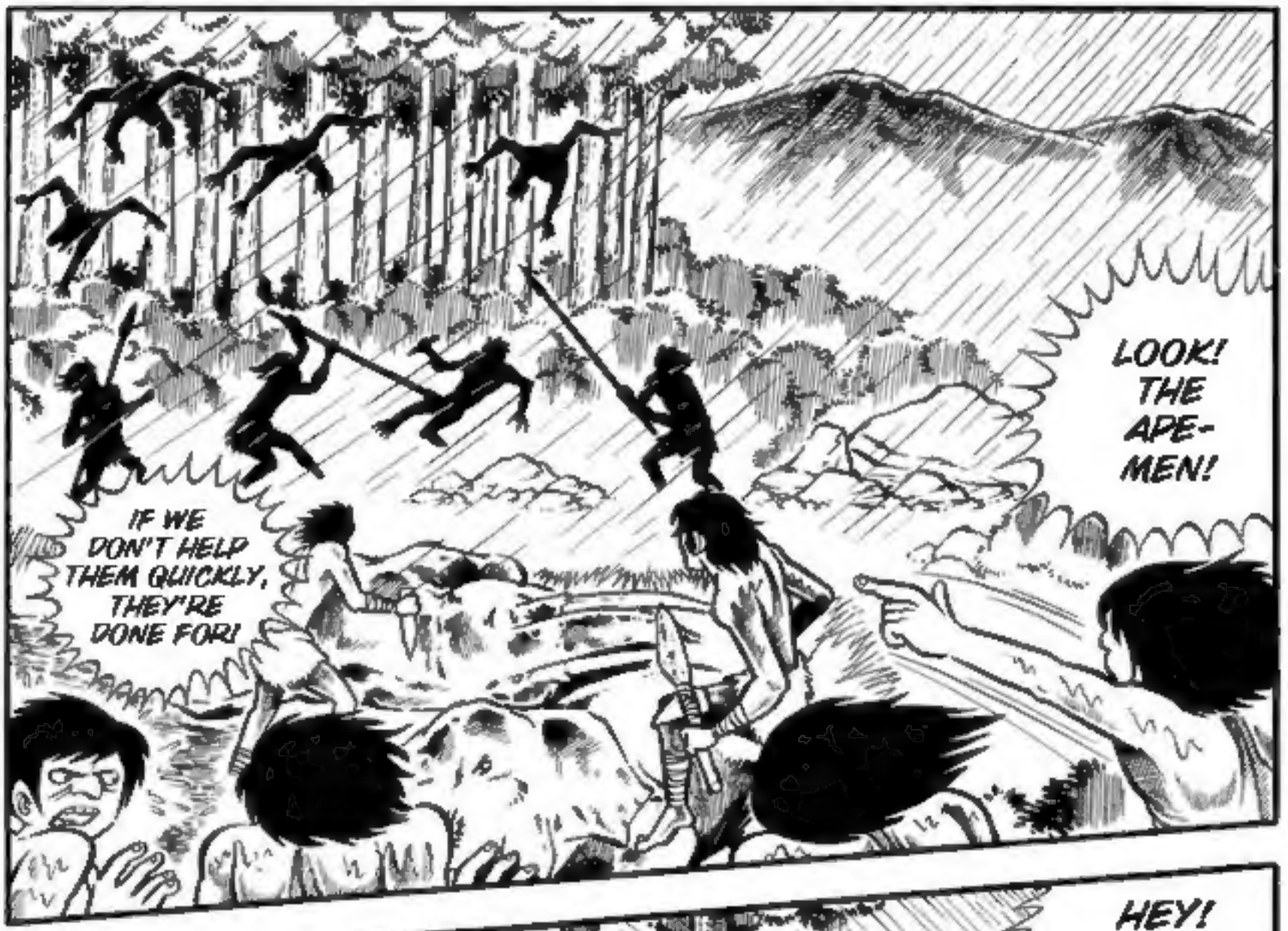
IT'S
THE
APE-
MEN!


IF WE DON'T HELP THEM QUICKLY, THEY'RE DONE FOR!
LOOK! THE APE-MEN!
UGIGI-GI!
HEY! LET'S GO!
UGIGI-GI!
YOU DAMN APE-MEN! DIE!

GYAA!

HYAA!

URGH !!

W-WHAT'S THAT SOUND ?!

GYAA!

HOW DO YOU LIKE THIS?

KEKE!
UKI-UKI!
GYA-GYA!

ズ"

ズ"

GRRRR

WHAT THE HELL IS THAT ?!

WAAH !!

DAD... I WONDER IF THOSE WHO WENT HUNTING CAUGHT THEIR PREY BY NOW ...

SHIT! CURSE THOSE DAMN APE-MEN!

IF IT WEREN'T FOR THOSE APE-MEN, ALL THE MEN IN THE TRIBE WOULD BE OUT HUNTING...

HOW CAN IT BE THAT HALF THE MEN MUST STAY BEHIND LIKE THIS, NOT KNOWING WHEN THE APE-MEN WILL ATTACK?

THE SON OF THE TRIBE'S CHIEF (BLACK LION), HE IS ONE OF THE BRAVEST MEN IN THE TRIBE AND A MASTER WITH HIS BOW.

HAYATE

CHIEF OF THE TRIBE AND HAYATE'S FATHER.

A BRAVE MAN WHO HAS BEEN CALLED "BLACK LION" SINCE HE WAS YOUNG. HE IS A MAN OF GREAT ABILITY WHO IS RESPECTED BY THE MEMBERS OF THE TRIBE FOR HIS OUTSTANDING PERSONALITY.

BLACK LION

THERE IS NOTHING WE CAN DO ABOUT IT. THIS HAS BEEN THE FATE OF OUR TRIBE SINCE TIME IMMEMORIAL.

THAT IS SOME-THING WE AND OUR ANCESTORS HAVE BEEN THINKING ABOUT FOR A LONG, LONG TIME...

BUT... CAN'T WE JUST CRUSH THEM ALL AT ONCE?

WHAT DO YOU THINK WOULD HAPPEN IF WE WERE TO SET THE WOODS ON FIRE?

HMM ...

OUR PREY WOULD BE GONE AS WELL AND WE'D BE DOOMED... IT'S NOT THAT EASY.

THEREFORE, EVEN IF WE WERE TO DRIVE THEM BACK INTO THEIR WOODS, WE WOULDN'T STAND A CHANCE.

BUT IN THE WOODS, WHERE THEY LIVE, THEY ARE IN CONTROL.

DAD, WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT?
WHAT DO YOU MEAN, "THAT ONE" ?!
MAYBE THEN ...
BUT IF WE WERE TO KILL THAT ONE..
HMM?
IT'S TERRIBLE !!
WHAT?! THE APE-MEN?!
THEY TOOK OUR PRECIOUS PREY!
LORD BLACK LION! THE A-APE-MEN APPEARED AGAIN!

I SEE... I KNEW HE WAS STILL ALIVE... EVEN THOUGH HE USED TO SHOW HIMSELF TO ME WHEN I WAS A BOY... OH, YES... IT'S HIM, ALRIGHT.

ALL THE OTHERS WERE KILLED BY IT!

IT WAS AS BIG AS A MOUN-TAIN!

THERE WAS AN INCRED-IBLY LARGE ONE!

YES... HE'S THE LEADER OF THOSE DREADFUL APE-MEN. UNLESS WE ELIMINATE HIM... WE WILL NEVER BE ABLE TO DEFEAT THE APE-MEN!

WHEN YOU REFERRED TO "THAT ONE".

SO THAT'S WHAT YOU WERE TALKING ABOUT...

IS THERE ANYONE WHO HAS THE COURAGE TO JOIN ME IN DEFEATING THIS MONSTER?

PANT

PANT

PANT

AND NOW THAT HE'S HERE, IT MEANS... I MEAN, THERE'S NOT MUCH LEFT TO CATCH THESE DAYS, AND THE APE-MEN MIGHT BE COMING AFTER US ALL AT ONCE...

I'LL GO AND FINISH OFF THAT MONSTER BEFORE THESE CAN COME KNOCKING.

THE ELDEST OF THE TRIBE, A SHAMAN WHO PRESIDES OVER THE TRIBE'S RITUALS, A PROPHET, RESPECTED BY THE TRIBE'S MEMBERS AND A GOOD ADVISOR TO THE CHIEF (BLACK LION).

ELDER

WHAT DO YOU THINK YOU CAN ACHIEVE ON YOUR OWN? THAT'S A BAD HABIT OF YOURS. EVEN IF YOU WENT AFTER HIM NOW, HE'S IN THE WOODS BY NOW AND THERE'S NO WAY YOU CAN CATCH HIM!

A BEAUTIFUL GIRL WHO IS THE YOUNGER SISTER OF HAYATE. THE DAUGHTER OF THE CHIEF (BLACK LION) IS BELOVED BY THE TRIBE'S CHILDREN.

HIMIKA

IF THIS CONTINUES, OUR TRIBE WILL EVENTUALLY CEASE TO EXIST.

IN RECENT YEARS, THERE'S BEEN A SUDDEN DECREASE IN PREY AND FRESH FRUIT. EVERY YEAR, SKILLED YOUNG MEN ARE KILLED ONE AFTER THE OTHER IN BATTLE WITH THE APE-MEN.

WE MUST EMBARK ON A LONG AND ARDUOUS JOURNEY!

NOW IS THE TIME FOR US TO LEAVE THIS SACRED LAND OF OUR ANCESTORS!

HE'LL BE A BRAVE YOUNG MAN WITH A CROSS-SHAPED STAR ON HIS FOREHEAD!

FOR THIS PURPOSE, BOBO, THE SUN GOD, WILL SEND US THE SON OF THE SUN!

IT IS AN IDEAL WORLD WHERE VAST PLAINS SPREAD OUT AS FAR AS THE EYE CAN SEE NEXT TO A HUGE RIVER AND FRUITS GROW EVERYWHERE!

AND THAT YOUNG MAN WILL LEAD US TO THE LAND OF THE RISING SUN, THE LAND OF GOD.

AMONG THE COUNT-LESS STARS I CAN SEE SOME PARTI-CULARLY BRIGHT ONES AROUND THE SUN. THE SUN IS THAT YOUNG MAN AND THE BRIGHT STARS ARE BRAVE WARRIORS.

IT IS... IT IS A SIGN THAT SOME BRAVE MEN WILL JOIN US ON OUR JOURNEY AND THAT OUR TRIBE WILL GROW EVEN LARGER! AND THESE YOUNG MEN WILL SOON BECOME THE KINGS OF THE GREAT PLAINS!

ELDER! I DON'T KNOW ANYTHING ABOUT A CHILD OF THE SUN BUT YOU'RE TURNING YOUR BACK ON THE APE-MEN AND RUN-NING AWAY! AND... I CAN'T BELIEVE THIS!

THE NEXT TIME THE SUN BREAKS THROUGH THE CLOUDS WILL BE THE TIME THE YOUNG MAN WILL APPEAR!

RIGHT! HAYATE IS RIGHT! I DON'T BELIEVE IN THIS WON-DERFUL LAND YOU SPEAK OF!

THAT'S RIGHT! DON'T YOU AGREE?

WAIT A MINUTE! I UNDER-STAND THAT HAYATE AND OTHER YOUNG PEOPLE DON'T BELIEVE IN THE WORDS OF AN OLD MAN, BUT JUST WATCH AND SEE IF WHAT I SAY IS TRUE OR FALSE!

WHAT IF THEY ATTACK US AND ALL OUR MEN ARE KILLED IN BATTLE?

HAYATE! DON'T YOU UNDERSTAND THAT WE CAN'T AFFORD ANY MORE CAS-UALTIES?

WE SHOULD LEAVE THIS PLACE BEHIND AND GO ON A JOURNEY.

WE AGREE WITH THE ELDER AND BLACK LION.

WHAT WILL BECOME OF THE WOMEN AND CHILD-REN LEFT BEHIND?

GOD! SHOW US YOUR POWER!

GOD! IF YOUR ORACLE IS TRUE, SHOW US THE PROOF!

O

OOH! THE CLOUDS ARE BREAK-ING!

OHHH!
OH, GOD!
OH, BOBO!
GREAT SUN
GOD!

I KNEW YOUR
ORACLE WAS
TRUE.

.....

AHH...
GREAT
GOD...

HAYATE!
YOUNG PEOPLE!
IS THIS STILL
NOT ENOUGH?!
YOU STILL DON'T
BELIEVE IN THE
POWER OF
GOD'S ORACLE!

BEHOLD!
THE LIGHT!
THE SUN!

THE ORACLE WAS TRUE!

OOH! IT'S GOD'S AWESOME POWER!

YES! LET'S LEAVE THIS PLACE AND GO ON A TRIP!

LET'S GO ON A TRIP!

TSK! WHAT THE...

LET'S GO TO THE LAND OF THE RISING SUN, TO THE LAND OF GOD!

LET'S WORK TOGETHER TO FIND A NEW PLACE!

OOH !!

HMM!

BOBO !!

HIM!
LOOK
AT HIM!

THAT'S THE SON OF THE SUN GOD I TOLD YOU ABOUT! THERE HE IS!

BOBO !!

IT'S THE SON OF THE SUN GOD !!

THE ELDER WAS RIGHT AFTER ALL!

BOBO, THE SUN GOD, HAS SENT US HIS SON!

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HE'S MUNCHING ON A LIVE SNAKE! THAT'S SUPPOSED TO BE THE SUN GOD'S...
TSK! THERE'S NO SUCH THING AS A CHILD OF THE SUN GOD.
IF HE HAS A CROSS-SHAPED STAR ON HIS FOREHEAD, THEN YES.
ELDER, IS THAT REALLY THE SON OF THE SUN GOD?

UHHH! GRRRRRRRRR! UHHHH!
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SHOW US!

UHH! GRRR !!

IF YOU ARE THE SON OF THE SUN GOD, SHOW US !!

I BESEECH THEE!

GRRR !!

WHAT THE HELL ?!

GROAR !!

DAMN YOU!

WAAH! HE JUST JUMPED AT US!

GET OFF ME !!

THAT'S NOT THE SON OF THE SUN GOD! GET HIM!

KIKIKI! GRRR !!

YOU DAMN MONSTER! DIE!

WAIT! DON'T KILL HIM! LET HIM LIVE!

UGHHH! GRRRR !!

UHHH!
GYAAA!
GRRRR
!!

UHHH!
GRRR!

GRRR
!!

UHHH
!!

LET'S
FIND
OUT...

WHAT'S GOING ON ?!

NO CROSS-SHAPED STAR?!

NO CROSS-SHAPED STAR...

I CAN'T WAIT TO SEE WHAT HAPPENS NEXT... HUHUHU!

HUHUHU! THAT LITTLE SHIT HAS CAUSED QUITE A MESS.

HUHUHU! MUST SUCK TO BE THE ELDER RIGHT ABOUT NOW...

ELDER, PLEASE TELL US!

BUT IF HE ISN'T THE SON OF THE SUN GOD, THEN WHAT WAS THE ORACLE ALL ABOUT?

GRRR !!

I DON'T KNOW EITHER AND IT'S GETTING LATE TODAY... WE'LL JUST HAVE TO WAIT AND SEE WHAT TOMORROW BRINGS.

ELDER! WHAT IS THE MEANING OF THIS?

WHO IS THAT LITTLE BOY ANYWAY?

HMMM... IF THE SUN GOD'S ORACLE ISN'T WRONG ...

WHERE THE SUN RISES, THAT'S WHERE THE LAND OF THE SUN WHERE WE WILL GO IS.

OOH! IT'S BEEN A LONG TIME SINCE I'VE SEEN SUCH A BEAU-TIFUL SUNRISE.

...THAT BOY MUST BE THE SON OF THE SUN GOD. AND YET HE DOESN'T EVEN SPEAK OUR LANGUAGE.

GRRR !!

UHH ...

THE MONKEY PEOPLE ARE ACTING STRANGELY, JUST LIKE YOU PREDICTED.

WHAT HAPPENED ?!

IT'S TERRIBLE!

WE MUST SET OUT ON OUR JOURNEY AT ONCE... BUT UNTIL THE SON OF THE SUN GOD APPEARS, WE WON'T BE ABLE TO MOVE.

I KNEW IT... WHEN THAT MONSTER APPEARED, I THOUGHT IT MIGHT BE... IT'S A GOOD THING I SENT A GUARD OUT INTO THE WOODS LAST NIGHT.

ELDER! THIS COULD POSE A BIG PROBLEM...

GYAAAAAA! GRRRRRRR !!

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THE ELDER IS JUST TOO OLD NOW.

I KNEW I SHOULDN'T HAVE BELIEVED IN THE ORACLE.

TSK! THAT DAMN ELDER! NOW HE'S FRETTING BECAUSE HE CAN'T EMBARK ON HIS JOURNEY UNTIL THE SON OF THE SUN GOD SHOWS UP. HUHUHU...

FROM NOW ON, HAYATE AND WE SHOULD RUN THE TRIBE.

THE TIME OF THE OLD GUARD HAS PASSED.

HEY, WHAT'S WRONG ?

HIMIKA, I'M SCARED !!

WELL, DON'T BE SO HASTY. ONCE WE HAVE VANQUISHED THE MONSTER AND REPELLED THE APE-MEN THEY WILL BE FORCED TO RE-COGNIZE OUR MIGHT.

BESIDES, THERE'S NO GUARANTEE THAT THEY'LL ATTACK TONIGHT.

DON'T WORRY, THERE'S NO REASON TO BE AFRAID OF THE APE-MEN.

THE APE-MEN ARE GOING TO ATTACK US TONIGHT, AREN'T THEY?

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WE HAVE NO CHOICE BUT TO BELIEVE IN THE ORACLE AND POSTPONE OUR JOURNEY UNTIL THE SON OF THE SUN GOD APPEARS.

BUT IF WE DON'T DO SOMETHING ABOUT IT, THE YOUNG PEOPLE WILL BECOME MORE AND MORE REBELLI-OUS.

UNTIL NOW, THE ELDER'S ORACLES HAVE NEVER BEEN WRONG.

THE ELDER IS MAKING HIS FINAL REQUEST TO THE SUN GOD RIGHT NOW.

HOLD ON!

BUT IF THE APE-MEN ATTACK BEFORE WE SET OUT ON OUR JOURNEY...

SHOW US YOUR POWER ONE MORE TIME!

OOH, BOBO, OUR BLESSED SUN GOD!

GRANT US OUR WISH !!

LOOK! THE SUN GOD HAS BEEN STRUCK BY LIGHTNING!

LET'S CHECK !!

WHAT THE HELL HAP-PENED?!

OH! THAT BOY FELL DOWN!

HE'S STILL ALIVE!

AH! HE'S MOVING!

BOY! WHAT'S WRONG ?

OHH! THIS... THIS IS...

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GYAO!
GYAO!

KYU ...

UKI! UKI! GYAO!

KIKIKI-KIKI!

KIKI-KI!

KYO ?!

ズーーーン…

ズーーーン…

KYU !!

KI! KIII!

KYU!
KIKIIIII
!!

GUFFU!
GUFFU!
GUWA-
RURU!

THIS!
LOOK AT
THIS!

IT'S A CROSS-SHAPED STAR!

OH! LOOK!

THE ORACLE WAS RIGHT AFTER ALL!

THE SON OF THE SUN GOD!

THINGS ARE GETTING INTER-ESTING!

HMMM... SO THAT GUY IS THE SON OF THE SUN GOD. GOOD, GOOD!

WE HAVE TO TAKE CARE OF HIM!

TAKE HIM TO THE CAVE! QUICK!

WE DON'T KNOW WHEN THE APE-MEN WILL COME!

HURRY UP!

HU HU HU ...

OH BOBO, OUR GREAT SUN GOD!

BRING HIM BACK TO LIFE!

THY SON! I BEG THEE TO RETURN THE BREATH OF LIFE TO HIM!

AHHH !!

HE REALLY DID!

HE OPENED HIS EYES!

WHAT? WHAT HAP-PENED?

WHAT HAVE I BEEN DOING UNTIL NOW?

WHERE AM I?

IT'S USE-LESS. I DON'T REMEMBER ANYTHING!

AND WHO AM I?

WHO ARE YOU PEOPLE ?

THAT'S RIGHT! I CAN'T DO THIS! I... I HAVE TO GO BACK TO THE LAND OF THE RISING SUN!

I... I'M THE SON OF THE SUN GOD?!

YOU TRULY ARE THE SON OF THE SUN GOD!

WE HAVE BEEN WAITING FOR YOU TO APPEAR.

THAT'S RIGHT. AND I HAVE A VERY SPECIAL FAVOR TO ASK OF YOU.

I GUESS THAT'S FINE...

PLEASE TAKE US TO THE LAND OF THE RISING SUN!

SO EVERYTHING IS DECIDED! TOMORROW, WE WILL PREPARE FOR OUR JOURNEY AND THE DAY AFTER TOMORROW WE WILL SET OFF AT DAWN.

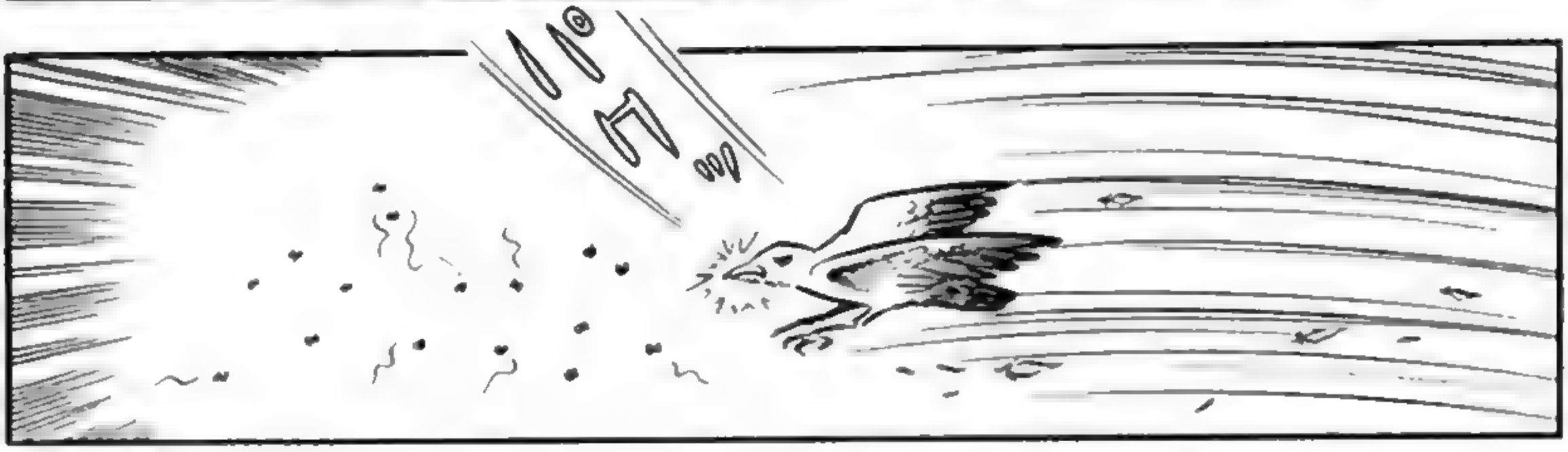
YAY !!

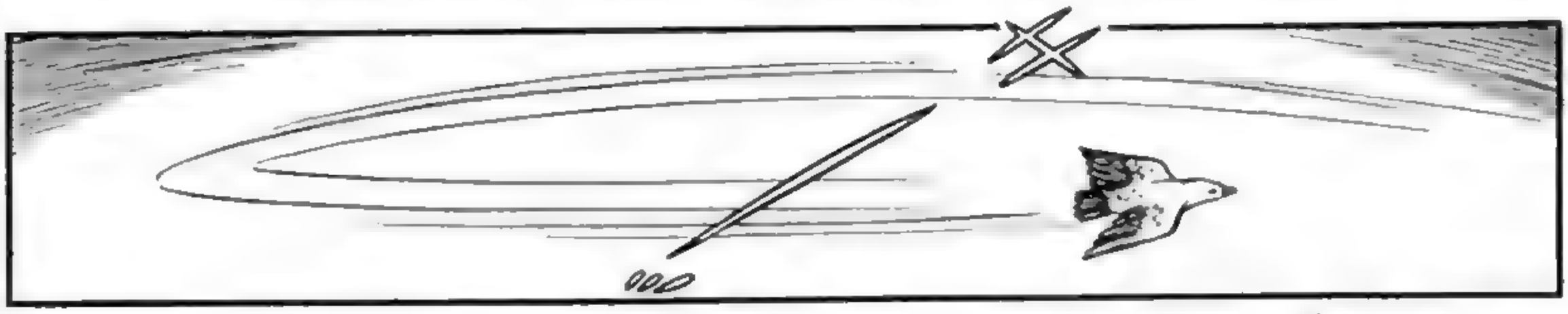
LET'S GO!

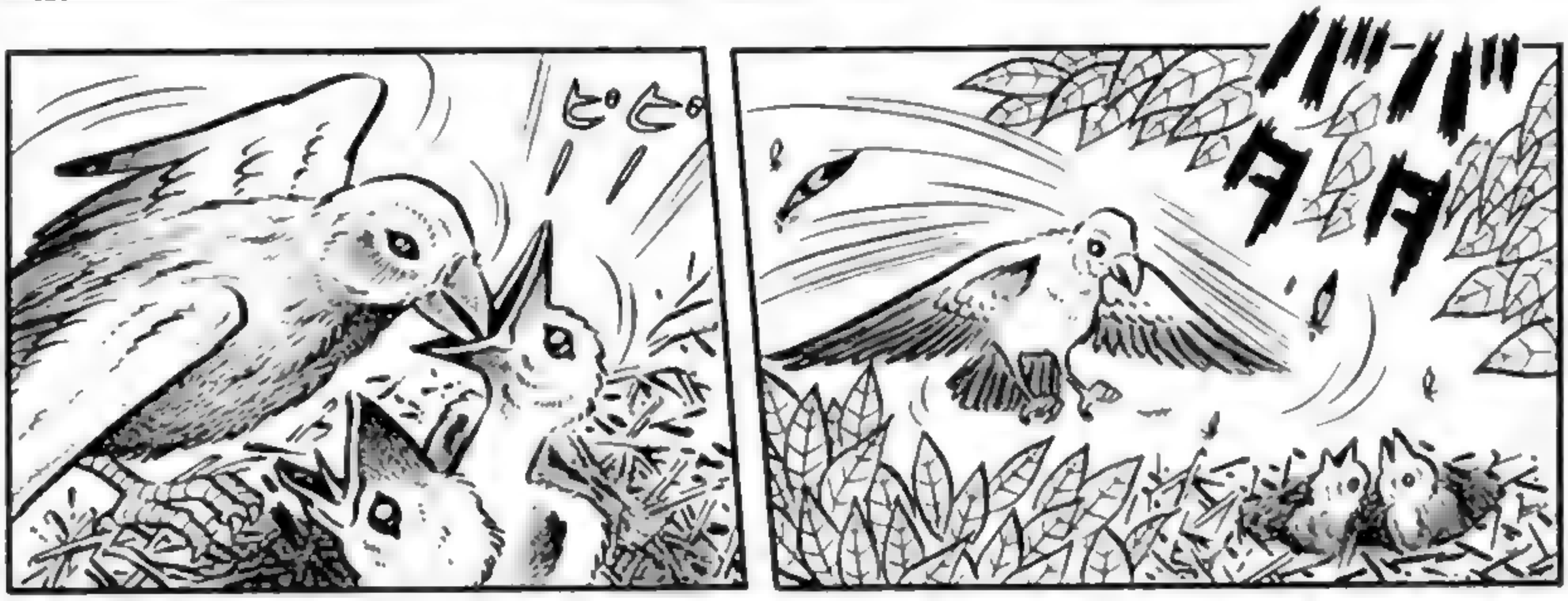
YAY !!

YAY !!

I AM... I AM THE SON OF THE SUN GOD ...







I'M ALREADY KIND OF MISSING THIS PLACE.

TOMORROW IS THE DAY WE LEAVE ...

THEY MUST BE AFRAID TO LEAVE THE WOODS AFTER ALL.

HOW COME THE APE-MEN DIDN'T ATTACK LAST NIGHT?

HYAA !!

HE'S STARTING WITH HIS BULLSHIT AGAIN.

HAHAHA! I'M SURE THEY'VE NEVER BOTHERED ME BECAUSE THEY'RE AFRAID OF ME!

TSK! WHAT A COCKY GUY!

HA HA HA !!

I'LL SHOW YOU !!

HE'S STILL A STRAN-GER.

SON OF THE SUN GOD OR NOT...

ONE OF THESE DAYS, I'LL KICK HIM OUT OF THE TRIBE.

I'M NOT SO SURE ABOUT THAT...

THOSE DAMN ADULTS ARE HAPPY BE-CAUSE THEY'RE GETTING THEIR WAY.

S- SORRY ...

HAYATE! WHAT ARE YOU DOING? WHY AREN'T YOU WORKING?

GA-
GA.

AH,
HONEY!

HIRAGI,
HOW'S YOUR
WORK GOING
?

SHE AND THAT
YOUNG MAN
TOOK THE
CHILDREN
TO GATHER
BERRIES.

I DON'T SEE
HIMIKA.
WHAT IS
SHE UP
TO?

WELL,
THAT'S
ALRIGHT
THEN.

AS EX-
PECTED,
THE YOUNG
ONES ARE
GETTING
ALONG
VERY
WELL.

WIFE OF THE CHIEF (BLACK LION), MOTHER OF HAYATE AND HIMIKA. BEAUTIFUL, INTELLIGENT AND TRUSTED BY THE WOMEN OF THE TRIBE.

HIRAGI

THIS IS A SACRED SPRING WHERE THE WATER NEVER RUNS DRY.

ACROSS THE RIVER IS THE FATHER MOUNTAIN.

THE WATER FROM HERE FLOWS INTO THAT HOLY RIVER.

THERE MUST BE A LAND WHERE THE SUN RISES FAR BEYOND THE FATHER MOUNTAIN AND IT IS WAITING FOR US.

THE SUN ALWAYS RISES FROM THAT FATHER MOUNTAIN.

I DON'T KNOW IF I'M REALLY THE SON OF THE SUN GOD, BUT I...

THE LAND WHERE THE SUN RISES LIES FAR BEYOND THE FATHER MOUNTAIN.

THAT SUN IS CALLING ME.

HAVE TO GO THERE.

TO THE LAND OF THE RISING SUN!

FATHER MOUNTAIN

THE TRIBE'S CAVE

STATUE OF THE SUN GOD

WOODS OF THE APE-MEN

SACRED SPRING, WHERE HIMIKA AND THE KIDS ARE NOW

HOLY RIVER

WOODS OF THE APE-MEN

RIGHT!

WELL, WE SHOULD HEAD BACK NOW!

I DON'T WANT TO GO YET!

WHAT?! GOING HOME ALREADY ?!

HEY, YOU GUYS! IT'S TIME TO GO BACK HOME!

IF YOU KEEP TALKING LIKE THAT, I WON'T CARE IF THE APE-MEN COME.

WAH

OH !!

AH! H-HELP ME!

THIS IS BAD!

WAAH !!

WAIT! I'M COMING !!

HU- HURRY !!

UKIKI! GYO-GYO!

OH, NO! I'M TOO LATE!

STOP, DAMN YOU!

UGIGI! KIKI!

AHH! HELP ME!

HELP ME!

UGIGI! KIKI!

WAIT !!

HURRY! WE NEED TO GET THE WORD OUT!

GYO!
GYO!
KIKI!

STOP!
STOP
ALREADY
!!

SOMETHING TERRIBLE HAPPENED !!

HIMIKA GOT ABDUCTED BY THE APE-MEN!

WHAT'S WRONG ?!

WHY DID YOU GO TO SUCH A DANGER-OUS PLACE?

THAT NEW GUY WENT CHASING AFTER THEM, BUT...

AND THE NEW GUY WANTED TO SEE THE SACRED SPRING.

WE ALL WENT TO COLLECT BERRIES...

SHIT! THAT LITTLE BRAT! HE DID A TERRIBLE THING TO MY SISTER!

ALRIGHT! HAYATE, I'LL GO WITH YOU!

I CAN'T LEAVE IT TO HIM! I'LL GO!

WE'LL COME AS WELL !!

HAYATE, WAIT!

ELDER! ARE YOU TRYING TO STOP ME?

YOU, TOO, DAD ?!

HAYATE! WAIT!

HIMIKA IS RESPONSIBLE FOR KNOWINGLY TAKING THEM TO A DANGEROUS PLACE!

THAT'S RIGHT! NEITHER WILL WE!

NO! I WON'T LISTEN TO YOU ADULTS ANYMORE!

WHAT WOULD WE DO WITHOUT THE STRENGTH OF OUR YOUTHS ON THE LONG JOURNEY AHEAD?!

WHAT IF ALL YOU YOUNG PEOPLE GET KILLED BECAUSE OF IT?

HAYATE! NO MATTER HOW HARD IT IS, YOU HAVE TO WAIT AND PUT YOUR TRUST IN THE POWER OF THAT YOUNG MAN.

B-BUT HIMIKA IS...

GOD-DAMN IT!

UHH! WHAT IS THIS?!

UGIGI!
KIKI!
STOP
!!
KIKIKI!
GYO!
GYO!
WHY
WON'T
YOU
STOP
?!

GAAH !!

TAKE THIS !!

GYAA !!

KYO? KYO!?

HYAAAA !!

STOP !!

AH! HIMIKA !!

DAMN YOU BASTARDS!

UGIGI! KIKKI! GYO! GYO!

BLARGH !!

UGH ...

BLARGH!

KYA! KYA! KIKIKI!

THIS PLACE IS CALLED "THREE RAPIDS". THE APE-MEN LIVE HERE!

MY LEG'S BROKEN, SO YOU MIGHT AS WELL JUST LEAVE ME AND GET THE HELL OUT OF HERE!

HIMIKA! ARE YOU ALRIGHT ?!

I'M SURE THE ONES WHO JUST TOOK ME WILL ALERT THE OTHERS AND THEY'LL COME FOR ME SOON!

I'M EMBAR-RASSED ...

B-BUT THAT'S ...

THEN I'LL CARRY YOU.

...

HUH ?!

NOW'S NOT THE TIME FOR THAT KIND OF TALK. COME ON, LET'S HURRY!

KYAAA !!

UHH ?!

GRU! GRU!
GROAR
!!

HURRY!
WE HAVE
TO RUN
!!

GROO!
GROO!

UGIGI!
KIKI!

UHH
...

OH!

OHH! THEY'RE BOTH SAFE!

LOOK! THEY'RE BACK!

OHH! JUST AS I THOUGHT... AS ONE WOULD EXPECT... FROM THE SON OF THE SUN GOD.

ALRIGHT! PREPARE FOR BATTLE IMMEDI-ATELY!

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BAD NEWS! THE APE-MEN WILL ATTACK ANY MOMENT!

WHAT ?!

OH!
HERE THEY
COME!

EVERY-
ONE!
GET
READY
!!

UKIKI!
KIKKI!

GYO!
GYO!

HYAAA !!

UGIGI!
KIKI!
GYO!
GYO!

COME AT ME, YOU DAMN APE-MEN!

HYAAA !!

GYOOO !!

DIE
!!

HYAA
!!

GYAA
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LET'S GO, APE-MEN !!

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GYAA !!

GUH !!

HEHE !!

OOH! AS EX-PECTED FROM HAYATE!

YOU SEE THAT, APE-MEN ?!

KIKI !!

UGIGI !!

UGI!

GYA !!

GYAH !!

UWA !!

OH! I'LL BE RIGHT THERE!

YEAH! THAT WAS CLOSE!

ARE YOU OK?

GUUH! GROAR !!

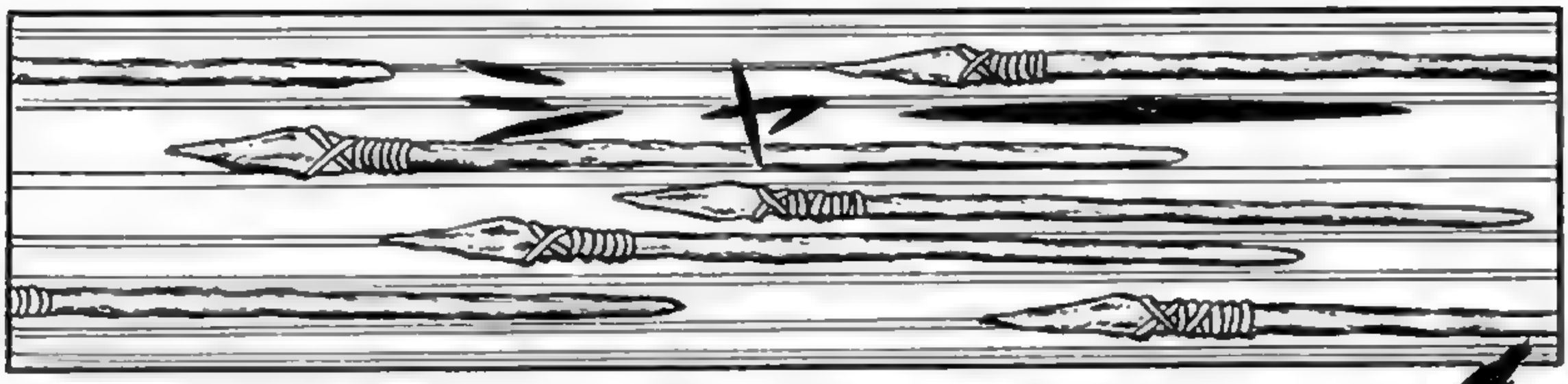
WAAH !!

UGIGI! GYO! GYO!

KEEP THROWING THOSE SPEARS! DON'T LET IT GET CLOSE TO THE CAVE!

IT'S COMING THIS WAY! WHAT SHOULD WE DO?

IT'S HERE!



GULIH !!

IT'S NOT WORK-ING!

IT'S NO USE! LET'S HIDE IN THE CAVE FOR NOW!

KYAAA !!

YOU DAMN MON-STER!

OHH!

SHIT!

UH! UH!

TAKE THIS !!

GYO
!!

NOW
OR
NEVER
!!

AL-
RIGHT!

TAKE
THIS!

GUH
!!

GYAAA
!!

KIKI
?!

UKIKI
?!

GYO! GYO!
KIKIKI!

HAYATE, APPARENTLY THAT KID PUT OUT THE MONSTER'S RIGHT EYE!

LOOK, THOSE APE-MEN ARE RETREAT-ING!

WHAT?! THAT LITTLE SHIT ...

DAMN THAT LITTLE SHIT! IT'S ALWAYS HIM!

SHIT! IF I HAD GUARDED THE ENTRANCE TO THE CAVE, I COULD HAVE STOPPED THE MONSTER!

EVERYONE, LISTEN UP! TODAY, WE WERE ABLE TO DRIVE BACK THE APE-MEN WITHOUT A SINGLE CASUALTY THANKS TO EVERYONE'S COOPERATION AND THIS YOUNG MAN WHO IS THE SON OF THE SUN GOD!

SO FROM TODAY ON-
WARD, WE WILL CALL
THIS YOUNG MAN BOBO,
THE SAME AS THE
SUN GOD HIMSELF!

THAT'S WHY
I DON'T
MIND BEING
CALLED
BOBO!

I DON'T
EVEN
KNOW
WHO
I AM!

ELDER,
PLEASE
WAIT!

PLEASE DON'T
TREAT ME AS
THE CHILD OF
THE SUN GOD!

I'M NOT
THE CHILD
OF THE SUN
GOD! I'M
JUST
A MAN!

HOW-
EVER
...

I WANT TO LIVE AS A REGULAR MEMBER OF THE TRIBE ALONGSIDE EVERYBODY ELSE.

THE GUY FROM BEFORE ...

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HE'S OUR NEWEST MEMBER!

BOBO IS ONE OF OUR TRIBE!

ELDER! PLEASE LET IT BE SO!

THAT'S RIGHT! ELDER, WE GOT THIS!

I SEE! AND YOU ARE RIGHT! FROM NOW ON, BOBO IS OUR NEW MEMBER!

HMM ...

E- ELDER!

I KNOW WHAT YOU'RE UP TO.

TSK! YOU THINK YOU'RE SO COOL ...

FOR WHEN WE EMBARK ON OUR JORNEY AT DAWN TOMORROW!

I'M VERY MOVED RIGHT NOW.

LET'S PRE- SERVE THIS SPIRIT ...

YAAY !!

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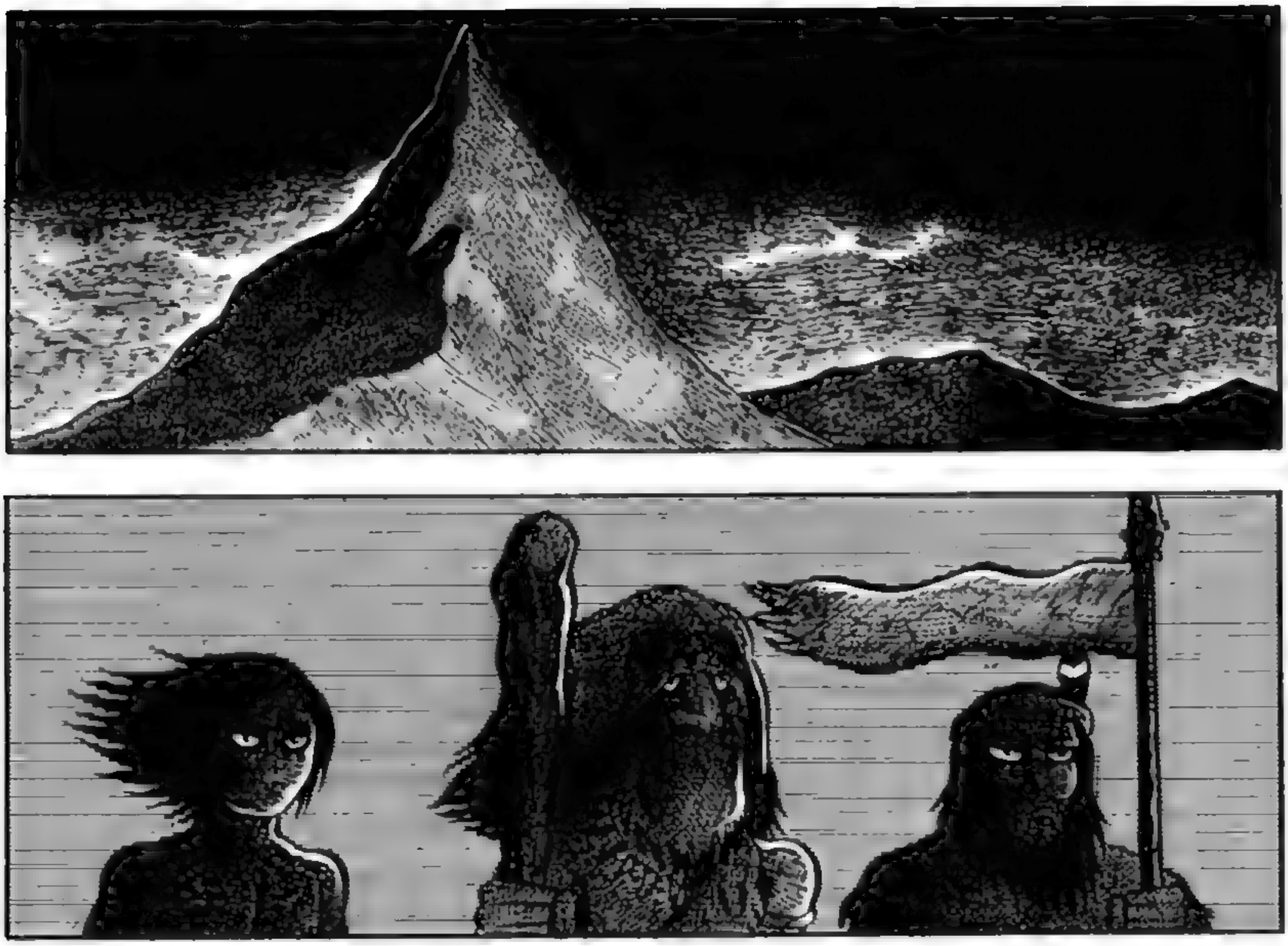
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WHAT A GORGEOUS SUNRISE...

OUR JORNEY IS SURE TO BE EQUALLY WONDER-FUL!

BEHOLD THIS WONDER-FUL DAWN!

DO WHAT-EVER IS IN YOUR POWER TO PROTECT US!

OH BOBO, GREAT SUN GOD! BLESS US ON OUR LONG AND ARDUOUS JOURNEY!

ALRIGHT! THE PRAYERS HAVE BEEN SAID...

WELL, THEN, YOU ALL...

LET'S GO!

AND SO, THE PEOPLE OF THE TRIBE LEFT THE SACRED LAND OF THEIR ANCESTORS AND EMBARKED ON A LONG AND ARDUOUS JOURNEY, LED BY BLACK LION AND FOLLOWED BY BOBO, THE ELDER, HAYATE AND THE REST OF THE TRIBE.

WELL, THEN, I'LL BE GOING TOO.

I'LL KEEP YOU COMPANY ...

HUHU-HU...

WITH THE WOMEN AND CHILDREN AT THE CENTER AND THE MEN PROTECTING THEM, THE MARCH BEGAN.

WHAT IS ABOUT TO HAPPEN?
AND WHAT AWAITS THEM AT
THE END OF THEIR LONG
AND ARDUOUS JOURNEY?
THIS IS WHERE OUR STORY
BEGINS...

FOLLOWING THE SACRED RIVER, THEY WALK TOWARDS THE LAND OF THE RISING SUN.

HYAAA !!

I'M DONE! PUT ME DOWN, BOBO!

HOW ABOUT IT?! HAD EN-OUGH ?!

YOU'RE SO COOL!

YOU'RE INCREDIBLE, BOBO!

AMAZING! YOU DEFEATED TEN PEOPLE!

I-I DON'T KNOW WHAT YOU'RE TAKING ABOUT...

EH ?!

WE NOTICED YOU KEEP CHECKING BOBO OUT...

HEHE! HIMIKA ...

D-DON'T SAY THAT...

OH, YOU !!

WAAH! RUN!

YOU'RE OUR HERO! YOU'RE SO STRONG!

I'M JUST NO MATCH FOR BOBO!

HEHEHE ...

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HA HA HA HA

SPARRING WITH A KID LIKE YOU ?!

HOW ABOUT YOU JOIN US, HAYATE?

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NOT INTER-ESTED.

THE ONLY THING THAT INTERESTS ME...

...IS THIS !!

DON'T FORGET THAT YOU'LL JOIN THEM SOONER OR LATER! HEHEHE!

CHIRP CHIRP CHIRP

HEHE- HE!

HMM... I HOPE NOTHING BAD HAPPENS ...

ELDER! HAYATE AND BOBO AREN'T GETTING ALONG.

THE LAWS OF NATURE ARE HARSH.

OUR JOURNEY IS ABOUT TO GET TOUGHER.

THE TRIBE MARCHED ONWARDS ...

...AND, AFTER A FEW DAYS, THEY REACHED THE FOOT OF THE FATHER MOUNTAIN.

IT'S A BIG ONE! DON'T GET SLOPPY!

I'LL FINISH IT!

IT'S REALLY BIG WHEN YOU LOOK AT IT UP CLOSE LIKE THIS.

TOMORROW, WE'LL SAY GOODBYE TO THE FATHER MOUNTAIN.

HAYATE, BOBO'S POPULARITY HAS BEEN INCREASING RECENTLY.

TODAY'S CATCH WAS A TOUGH ONE.

WHO CARES ABOUT ONE OR TWO OF THOSE KIDS?

SHIT! WHAT IS IT WITH THIS NEW GUY?!

WE'RE STARTING TO LOSE SOME OF THE YOUNG PEOPLE...

I'LL MAKE SURE TP GET RID OF THAT KID! I'LL MAKE SURE OF IT!

BUT HAYATE, IF THINGS CONTINUE LIKE THIS, BOBO MIGHT OVERTAKE YOU AS THE NEXT LEADER OF THIS TRIBE!

MY BOW AND I WILL HAVE SOME SAY IN THIS MATTER...